

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to incorporate the cross reference to related applications. No new matter has been introduced by the instant amendments.

In the interest of reducing initial additional claim filing fees, claims 2-5, 6-10, 14-15, 22-23, 25-28, 33-35, 37-39, 44-45, 49-53, 55-62, and 66-68 have been cancelled and claims 16, 24, 29-32, 36, 46, 54, and 632 have been amended After entry of the instant preliminary amendment, claims 1, 6, 11-13, 16-21, 24, 29-32, 36, 40-43, 46-48, 54, 63-65 and 69 are pending in the application.

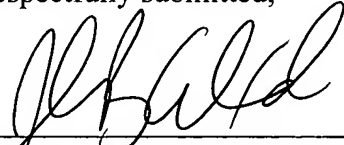
Support for the claim amendments can be found in the claims as originally filed and throughout the specification. No new matter has been introduced into the application by the instant amendments. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled from the claims by the instant amendments in this or subsequent application(s).

Early consideration of the application and claims as amended is earnestly solicited.

Although it is not believed that any additional fees are needed to consider this submission, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. 04-1105 should any fee be deemed necessary.

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